

SALARIES AND EXPENSES, COURT OF PRIVATE LAND  
CLAIMS.

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FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

COPY OF A COMMUNICATION FROM THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL  
SUBMITTING ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR COURT OF  
PRIVATE LAND CLAIMS.

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JANUARY 18, 1902.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be  
printed.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,  
*Washington, January 17, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of Congress, copy of a communication from the Attorney-General, of the 16th instant, submitting an estimate of appropriation for salaries and expenses, Court of Private Land Claims, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, amounting to \$37,500.

Respectfully,

L. J. GAGE,  
*Secretary.*

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
*Washington, D. C., January 16, 1902.*

SIR: In view of representations which have been made by the chief justice and United States attorney for the Court of Private Land Claims, showing that the business of said court can not be completed by June 30, 1902, it is requested that the following item be submitted to Congress for inclusion in the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill.

*Court of Private Land Claims:* For chief justice and four associate justices, at five thousand dollars each;

For clerk, two thousand dollars;

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For stenographer, one thousand five hundred dollars;

For attorney, three thousand five hundred dollars;

For interpreter and translator, one thousand five hundred dollars; in all thirty-three thousand five hundred dollars.

For deputy clerks, as authorized by law, so much therefor as may be necessary.

To enable the Attorney-General to employ such assistant attorneys, agents, stenographers, and experts to aid the United States attorney for said court as may be necessary to conduct the business of the Court of Private Land Claims during the fiscal year nineteen hundred and three, four thousand dollars.

That section nineteen of an act entitled "An act to establish a Court of Private Land Claims and to provide for the settlement of private land claims in certain States and Territories," approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, as amended in legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation act for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and one, approved April seventeenth, nineteen hundred, be, and the same is hereby, further amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 19. That the powers and functions of the court established by this act shall cease and determine on the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and three, and all papers, files, and records in the possession of the said court belonging to any other public office of the United States shall be returned to such office, and all other papers, files, and records in the possession of or appertaining to said court shall be returned to and filed in the Department of the Interior."

Respectfully,

P. C. KNOX,  
*Attorney-General.*

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

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